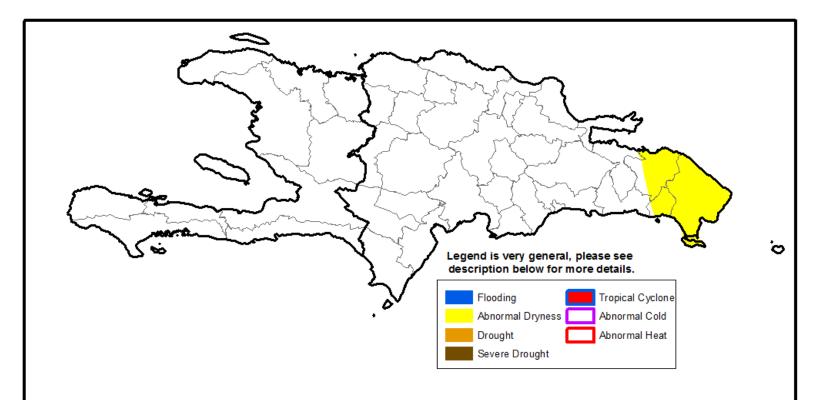


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook July 21 – July 27, 2016

Development of dryness continues in eastern Dominican Republic; improvement observed in southern Haiti



During the past week, the heaviest rain in the region was mostly confined to Haiti. Centre and Ouest departments received more than 100mm of rain according to TRMM estimates; while many other local areas received more than 75mm. Neighboring local areas of Dominican Republic, as well as Monte Plata and Santo Domingo provinces also received more than 75mm of rain. In other areas of Dominican Republic, nearly no rain fell, including far eastern parts of the country. In general, precipitation was again below-average over the island. Rainfall deficits are quickly growing in eastern provinces of the Dominican Republic and degradation of values in the vegetation indices is beginning to follow suit. Less than 25% of average rainfall has been observed over the last 30 days in some areas. Moisture deficits are also becoming apparent in some northern provinces of the Dominican Republic, but there the vegetation indices are in less agreement about degraded conditions. During the next week, the weather pattern is expected to remain much the same over Hispaniola. With broad suppression of precipitation across the region, only scattered and disorganized moderate rains are expected over the island. Total rainfall amounts are unlikely to greatly exceed 100mm.